

# Florence District Lay Servant Ministries

## 2026 LAY SERVANT SPRING TRAINING



### SCHOOL DATES:

Friday, March 13<sup>th</sup> 5:30 pm-8:00 pm  
Saturday, March 14<sup>th</sup> 9:00 am-5:30 pm

### IN-PERSON

Lake City United Methodist Church, 229 W. Main Street, Lake City, SC  
You must attend both sessions to receive a certificate of completion.

### REGISTRATION INFORMATION

**\*\*Registration deadline is Sunday, February 28, 2026\*\***

**Registration is online only—No registrations will be accepted after this date**

### PAYMENT/BOOKS

\*\*No Registration Fee\*\*

**(Participants are responsible for ordering books, please see details below.)**

### ONLINE REGISTRATION LINK

<https://www.umcsc.org/florencedistrictregistration/>

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### COURSES OFFERED

#### Basic Course – Lay Servant Ministries

Participants are encouraged to discover and employ personal spiritual gifts and the importance of exercising servant leadership, developing future leaders, rooted in consistent spiritual practices, and being part of a small discipleship group.

#### Polity (Life Together in the United Methodist Connection)

This course gives participants an overview of the structure and organization of The United Methodist Church. A copy of the 2016 Book of Discipline is recommended for both the online and text version of this course.

#### Preach (From Your Heart to Theirs: Delivering an Effective Sermon)

Moving beyond the basics of public speaking and the foundations necessary for preparing an engaging sermon. This course also includes types of sermons—from exegetical to topical to children’s sermons—as well as how to find a story, how to use the hymnal, and how to move from communication on paper to beyond the paper.

#### Spiritual Gifts: (Each One a Minister)

This course helps participants understand spiritual gifts and how the church can use them to fulfill its mission and ministry. Participants will be able to identify their own spiritual gifts.

#### Conflict Resolution: (The Spirit and Art of Conflict Transformation, Creating a Culture of Just Peace)

This course helps to transfer conflict into a positive rather than a negative force is a spiritual pursuit and needs to be grounded in biblical principles: love of God, neighbor, and self.

# COURSE BOOKS

**(Need to be ordered by Participant)**

***PLEASE ORDER BOOKS IN A TIMELY MANNER DUE TO SHIPPING***

- Cokesbury <https://www.cokesbury.com/>
- Upper Room <https://bookstore.upperroom.org/>
- Amazon <http://www.amazon.com/>

## **Course - Basic Course - Lay Servant Ministries**

**Participant: Lay Servant Ministries, Participant's Book (Basic Course)**

Sandy Zeigler Jackson and Brian Jackson - Participants book - Paperback -2013  
**ISBN - 9780881776263**

## **Course -Polity – Polity, Practice, and the Mission of the United Methodist Church**

**Participant: Polity, Practice, and the Mission of the United Methodist Church**

Thomas Edward Frank - Participants Book - Paperback - 2006  
**ISBN – 9780687335312**

## **Course –Preach**

**Participant: From Your Heart to Theirs: Delivering an Effective Sermon**

Tony Franks, David Carroll - Participants Book – Paperback - 2008  
**ISBN - 9780881775365**

## **Course – Spiritual Gifts - Each One a Minister**

**Participant: Each One a Minister**

William J. Carter - Participants Book – Paperback 2002  
**ISBN – 9780881773750**

## **Course – Conflict Resolution**

**Participant: The Spirit and Art of Conflict Transformation, Creating a Culture of Just Peace”**

Thomas Porter - Participants Book – Paperback 2010  
**ISBN 13: 9780835810265**